BEFORE

THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF

SOUTH CAROLINA

ORDER NO. 18,157\/ DOCKET NO. 17,780

February 10, 1975

Petition of James Island Plantation Service Company, Inc., for approval of an increase in rates for sewerage service in Lawton

Bluff Subdivision, Charleston County, South Carolina.

ORDER APPROVING RATES AND CHARGES

JAMES ISLAND PLANTATION SERVICE COMPANY, INC. T0:

The South Carolina Public Service Commission received a Petition from James Island Plantation Service Company, Inc., for approval of an increase in rates for sewerage service in Lawton Bluff Subdivision, Charleston County, South Carolina, a plat of which is on file with the Commission. The James Island Plantation Service Company, Inc., has a Bond in the amount of Ten Thousand (\$10,000) Dollars on file with the Commission in accordance with Section 58-149 of the 1962 Code of Laws for the State of South Carolina, as amended. A Public Hearing was held on January 15, 1975, at which time the Commission heard testimony in support and in opposition to the Petition. Mr. Thomas L. Read, President of the James Island Public Service Company, Inc., testified that the additional revenue was necessary if the customers are to receive adequate service. Mr. Read further testified that the proposed rates will generate approximately \$2,400 additional annual revenue. The opposition, Mr. Edward W. Weekly, Jr., apartment complex partner, represented himself. Mr. Weekly stated that the rates were high enough and did not need increasing.

After review of the Petition and after consideration of all the additional facts presented, the Commission is of the opinion and so finds that based on the record submitted to the Commission, the Proposed Rate Schedule as shown in the Petition is fair and reasonable and should be approved effective on or after the date of this Order, except the residential rate which is cut to \$250.00 for a tapping fee.

APPROVED RATE SCHEDULE

Residential ----- \$ 4.50 per month Commercial ----- \$ 10.00 per month Car Wash & Laundry - \$ 35.00 per month Tapping Fee ----- \$250.00 residential Tapping Fee ----- \$400.00 commercial

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED:

- 1. That the Proposed Rates as set forth above, are reasonable and are hereby approved and are effective as of the date of this Order, except for the proposed tapping fee, which is approved as \$250.00.
- 2. That should such rates not be placed into effect within three
 (3) months from the effective date of this Order, such rates as approved herein shall not be authorized without written permission from the Commission.
- 3. That all books and records for the Utility's sewer operation shall be maintained in accordance with the NARUC Uniform System of Accounts for Class A and B Water Utilities, as adopted by the Commission, to the extent applicable as a guideline until such a time that a Uniform System of Accounts is adopted for sewerage utilities.
- 4. That this Order remain in full force and effect until further Orders of the Commission.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

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Director-Administrative Services

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